

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, please insert as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Applicant claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of Japanese Application No. 11-135224 filed May 17, 1999 and Austrian Application No. A113/2000 filed January 26, 2000. Applicant also claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 365 of PCT/AT00/00133 filed May 16, 2000. The international application under PCT article 21(2) was not published in English. Applicant also claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 of copending parent U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/979,590 filed February 26, 2002, <sup>now Patent No. 6,715,329,</sup> which is a 371 of PCT/AT00/00133 filed May 16, 2000.--

Also on page 1, lines 1-4, please substitute the first full paragraph with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The invention relates to a method of forming a corner region from a flat sheet, in particular sheet metal plate, ~~as outlined in the generic parts of claims 1 to 4 and 26,~~ and a system for producing a corner region on a component from a flat sheet, bounded on three sides, ~~as outlined in the generic parts of claims 26 to 33.~~--